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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Group 1654

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Examiner Audet, M.

Serial No. 09/876,304

Filed: June 7, 2001

For: "Polymerized Oligopeptide-Surfactant Chiral Micelles" (Atty File 9802.2 Warner)

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated May 19, 2004, please amend the Claims as shown in the Appendix.

Claims 18-22 have been canceled.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that this Amendment after Final is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 17, 2004.

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Claim 23 has been rewritten in independent form. No change of any sort is intended in the scope of Claim 23.

Claims 23 and 45-53 remain in the application.

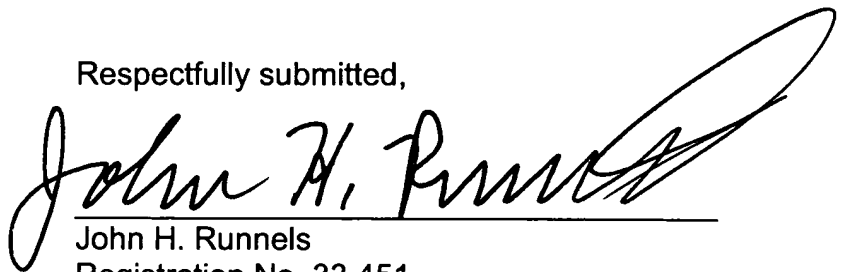
The May 19, 2004 Office Action stated (at page 4) that Claims 45-53 were in condition for allowance; and that Claim 23 was objected to, but would be allowed if rewritten in independent format. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all pending Claims are now in condition for allowance.

The cancellation of Claims 18-22 is without prejudice to Applicants' right to pursue the canceled subject matter in a continuation application.

Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are respectfully requested.

Allowance of Claims 23 and 45-53 at an early date is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John H. Runnels". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

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